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September and October 1948

1. A long-distance high-power radio station was under construction about 5 miles west of KRASNOYE SELLO (30°6' E/59°44' N). According to Soviet workers, this radio station, which was scheduled to be completed by 1955 or 1956, was going to be "the largest radio station in the world".

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stated that the construction of the radio station had begun in January 1947. In October 1948 the barracks buildings were nearing completion. Other buildings and the antenna masts were still under construction. For details of the installation, see Annex.

2. The size of the radio station area could not be stated, since no boundaries were marked out. The terrain was flat and not tilled. A macadam road coming from KRASNOYE-SELLO and leading to the building site passed the PW camp. At least five hundred cable reels up to five feet in diameter with various types of cables were stored on the building site. Ditches for drainage facilities and cables were dug by PWs all over the airfield. Antenna systems were not observed.

3. About 300 Soviet workers and 380 PWs were assigned to the construction of the radio tower and of the pump station. The area was guarded by Soviet soldiers wearing red-bordered epaulets without numbers.

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The above radio station is probably identical to that mentioned in . The attached sketch of the location of the radio station seems credible. The purpose of this long-range high-power radio station is not yet clear.

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1 Annex: High-Power Long-Distance Radio Station Under Construction near KRASNOYE SELLO, Leningrad Oblast, Leningrad MD.

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